

# NORTH CAROLINA AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING VOLUNTEER SERVICE

### 2007

#### **NOMINATION GUIDELINES**

#### Who IS Eligible?

- Any individual, group, business or organization whose volunteer activities in North Carolina benefit the community or the State of North Carolina in a substantial, important or unique way.
- Students receiving course credits are eligible, only if the volunteer service extends beyond course requirements. This must be clearly indicated in the nomination statement.
- National Service program participants (AmeriCorps, AmeriCorps Vista, Learn and Serve, RSVP, Foster Grandparents, Senior Companions, etc.) are eligible based on their volunteer involvement in addition to/or outside of their national service assignment.

#### Who IS NOT Eligible?

- Previous winners from within the past 10 years
- Individuals involved in "court mandated community service" or serving as "loaned executives"
- Persons nominating themselves, spouses or family members
- Persons who receive compensation for services rendered

#### **Additional Guidelines**

- The nomination form consists of four sections. **ALL SECTIONS OF THE FORM MUST BE COMPLETED.** Incomplete forms will not be accepted by the NC Commission on Volunteerism and Community Service.
- All nominations must be submitted on the official 2006 North Carolina Award for Outstanding Volunteer Service nomination form. *Photocopies of the form are acceptable.*
- If the nominee is a group or business, the name of <u>one</u> contact person must be provided.
- The nomination form must be printed or typewritten.
- Each county may submit a maximum of five (5) nominees. A husband/wife, family, group or team who volunteer as a unit may be considered as one nominee.
- One of the five nominees may also be nominated for the Medallion Award.
- Evaluation within the NC Commission on Volunteerism and Community Service is based <u>ONLY</u> on the contents of the nomination form, nomination statement and nomination statement addendum. <u>Videotapes</u>, <u>cassettes</u>, <u>display materials</u>, <u>scrapbooks</u>, <u>books</u>, <u>photographs</u>, etc. <u>should not</u> <u>be submitted to the NC Commission on Volunteerism and Community Service</u>.
- Nominees for the NC Award for Outstanding Volunteer Service and the Medallion Award are selected based on merit – without regard to race, religion, gender, national origin, or physical/mental disability.

#### **Award Selection**

The selection of each County's five nominees is conducted at the local (County) level and submitted to the Commission for approval. Selection is based upon the nominee's volunteer efforts, accomplishments and impact. The nomination should reflect a meaningful commitment of time and service by the nominee. The nominee's service should address a community need and/or enhance the quality of life of North Carolinians and demonstrate acts of generosity and kindness. A statewide panel, under the direction of the NC Commission on Volunteerism and Community Service, will evaluate the nominations for the Medallion Award.



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#### **Nomination Form**

SECTION 1 – COMPLETION	IS MANDATORY		County
Name of Nominee			
NOTE: The following section is require	red for all nominations ir	n order to be co	onsidered for this award.
Name of Nominee			
Mailing Address			
<i>City</i>		State	Zip Code
Phone #			
If the nominee is a group/business, plea person to receive all correspondence group/business.			
Contact Name			
Mailing Address			
City		State	Zip Code
Phone #			
Business  Service Category (select the gamma Arts & Culture Education/Literacy Environment	(art, music, theater, (improving knowledo (litter education, rec	dance, historic ge and skills by cycling, conserv	al preservation, museums) teaching, mentoring, or tutoring) ation)
Health Public Safety			sease prevention/advocacy) escue, disaster relief, etc.)
Social Services			ng, referral or legal services)
Special Events			volunteers for major events)
Reference: (must be familiar with	h the nominee's voluntee	er service)	
Name		•	
Address			
Nominator:			
Name			
Signature of Nominator			

#### **SECTION 2 – COMPLETION IS MANDATORY**

Name of Volunteer (Nominee)
Name of organization where volunteer serves
Number of years the volunteer has served this organization
Approximate number of hours (per week) donated by the volunteer
Title of volunteer's position
Specific duties of volunteer
Nomination Statement
Within the allotted space, please highlight the nominee's volunteer activities. Please describe the
difference the nominee has made on the people, organization(s), or community they serve. Include
any special skills, qualities, and/or leadership ability of the nominee's.
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#### **SECTION 3 – COMPLETION IS MANDATORY**

Every volunteer is worthy of recognition, however, WHAT distinguishes this volunteer from others? Please summarize the nominee's exemplary service and what distinguishes this nominee's efforts from other volunteers by providing information in the boxes below.

Describe the nominee's outstanding commitment to volunteerism and the agency or organization they currently serve or have served in the past.
Describe the nominee's outstanding accomplishments and the impact of their service and commitment to their agency or organization.
Describe the nominee's special skills, qualities, and/or leadership.
Why should this nominee receive the NC Award for Outstanding Volunteer Service?

#### **SECTION 4 – COMPLETION IS MANDATORY**

If the nominee also serves as a volunteer for other organizations, agencies, groups, etc. – please complete the following information.

Name of Organization #1				
Approximate Years Served	Approximate Hours Donated Per Week			
Duties				
Name of Organization #2				
Approximate Years Served	Approximate Hours Donated Per Week			
Duties				
Name of Organization #2				
Name of Organization #3				
Approximate Years Served				
Duties				